FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

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Agricultural Marketing Service

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USDA CHICKEN FAJITA STRIPS PURCHASE PROGRAM RE-OPENED:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced that the purchase program under Announcement PY-262 for chicken fajita strips for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs has re-opened.

Offers are invited from the trade for frozen, fully cooked, dark chicken fajita strips, produced from ready-to-cook boneless, skinless drumsticks, thighs, and/or legs. The commodity will be packaged 5 or 10 pounds (2.27 or 4.54 kg) per plastic-film bag to a net weight of 30 pounds (13.61 kg) in each fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,300 shipping containers totaling 39,000 pounds (17,690 kg).

Invitation No. 03, inviting offers due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Aug. 12, is being issued this week. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Aug. 16. Deliveries will be made in accordance with notices-to-deliver. Offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of USDA-1, as amended, Announcement PY-262, Appendix-1, and the Commodity Specification for Chicken Fajita Strips dated June 2002 and Amendment No. 1.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch Stop 0260, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp. The Electronic Bid Entry System is available for submitting offers at http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes.

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